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SPECIAL NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE MUTUAL FIRE INS. Co. OF D.C., No. 902 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE N.W.,

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 30, 1881.

The annual meeting of the Mutual Fire Insurance
Company of the District of Columbia will be held on the
THIRD MONDAY OF JANUARY, 1882, the 16th prox., at Odd Fellows' Hall, 7th street, between D and E streets northwest, commencing at 9 o'clock a.m. By the charter of the company the election of seven managers, to constitute a board to conduct the affairs of managers, to constitute a board to conduct the affairs of the company, is required to be held at the above meeting. By the sixth article of the by-laws of the company it is provided: "At the annual meeting of the company the first business in order shall be the appointment of a chairman, who shall conduct the meeting and election in accordance with the act of incorporation, between the hours of 9 o'clock a.m. and 6 o'clock p.m."

All policy holders are requested punctually to attend. Amount of premium notes held by company.

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J. WESLEY BOTELER,
Secret

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THE STATED MEETING OF THE MEDI-CAL SOCIETY will be held on MONDAY, Janu-ary 2, 1882, at Lenmann's Hall, 1425 New York avenue, at 8 o'clock p.m.

WM. G. PALMER, M. D., President.

THOS. E. McARDLE, M.D., Secretary. d31-2t

The Stockholders of the NATIONAL FAIR ASSOCI- are filed acknowledging the receipt of the testi- tumes were evidently worn MONDAY, January 9th, 1882, at Shea's Hall, 632 Penn- he had many other letters to the same purport, pink moire antique, with broad puffs of plain sylvania avenue northwest, for the purpose of electing and that he got from him every page of the deport, and that he got from him every page of the deport sitions. The House computition of such other sitions. business as may come before them.

The Ballots to be used must be printed on white paper, and of uniform size. Pells open at 2 o'clock p. m., and close at 4 o'clock p.m

C. C. DUNCANSON, Secretary.

All members of the Association are requested to attend, as matters of vital importance will be considered.

FEDERAL BUILDING ASSOCIATION, No. 2. The ninth regular monthly meeting of FEDERAL, No 2, will be held on TUESDAY, January 2, 1882, at Hall 615 7th street, opposite Patent Office, 7 o'clock p.m. Mency is being sold at the lewest rate of premium, making very low interest to be paid for its use; with an excellent chance to obtain any amount of money required. Those wanting money cheap are advised to attend the JAMES S. EDWARDS, President.

JNO. A. PRESCOTT, Secretary and Treasurer, d31-3t 1416 F street northwest. GEORGETOWN MASONIC HALL ASSOCI-GEORGETOWN MASONIC HALL ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting of the STOCK-HOLDER'S of the above named Association for the purpose of electing nine Directors to serve during the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such business as may leaslly come before it, will be held at Masonic Hall, Georgetown, D. C., on TUESDAY, January 3d, 1832, 447 p. m. H. W. BARRETT, Secretary.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF THE RE-PUBLIC-Washington, D. C., December 29, 1831.—The annual meeting of the Stockholders of this Bank will be held on TUESDAY, January 10th, between the hours of I and 3 o'clock p. m., to elect Nine Direc-tors to serve during the coming year. d29-tj10 CHAS. S. BRADLEY, Cashier. NATIONAL METROPOLITAN BANK. WASHINGTON, D.C., December 24, 1881. The annual election for Directors of this Bank will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, 10th of January, 1882. Poil will be open from 11 o'clock a.m. to 1 o'clock p.m.

TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK, OF WASHINGTON CENTRAL NATIONAL BANK, of Washington city, will be held at the Bank, corner of 7th street and Louisiana avenue, on MONDAY, January 9, 1882, between the hours of 12 m. and 2 p.m. The annual report of the transactions of the Bank will be read at 1 p.m. of the same day.

Milburn, Thomas McDonald, Samuel Dougias, J. B. Burger, R. H. France, Jonas B. Ellis, James Frazier, R. W. Clark, French S. Evans, Hollis Timony, Michael Nash, M. T. Parker, H. Amidon. CAPT. Howgate Spenns His New Year Day Out of Jail.—The offices at the City Hall were closed to-day except those of the district attorney and the marshalls, and these were open for an archive.

SAMUEL NORMENT, President. JAMES S. EDWARDS. Secretary Board of Directors. d9-fkm, 4w JAMES H. McGILL, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN BUILDING SUPPLIES, 1421 New York avenue, near the Treasury Department Washington, D. C.

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WASHINGTON, D. C, MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 1882.

Washington News and Gossip. EX-ATTORNEY GENERAL MACVEAGH will, to-mor-

THE CLERKS in the Pension office Saturday presented Commissioner Dudley with a handsome testimonial. It was a beautifully written extension of the compliments of the season to the Commissioner, and was signed by all the clerks employed in the Pension office. It was presented and received with felicitous speeches.

DIPLOMATIC NOTES .- The new Chinese Minister, Cheng Tsao Ju, was presented to the President by Secretary Frelinghuysen at 6 o'clock Saturday evening. This semewhat unusual hour was selected, to enable the retiring Ministers, Chin Lan Pin and Mr. Yung Wing to present their letters of recall before quitting Washington on the night train for San Francisco, where the mail steamer will be detained to await their arrival. Chin Lan Pin and Mr. Yung Wing first had an audience with the President, to whom they addressed a brief farewell The President briefly responded. The new Minister was then presented, when the usual formalties were observed. After the reception of the Chinese Minister the Russian Minister, Mr. Bartholomei, called upon the President to take leave of him before starting for Russia. Mr. Kurd Von Schlozer, the German Minister, left the city to-day for New York, whence he will sail by the German Lloyds steamer, Thursday, en route for his new post at Rome. His successor has not yet been named, but Count Henry von Beust, secretary of

SERIOUS CHARGE MADE IN CONNECTION WITH A CONTEST FOR A SEAT IN CONGRESS .- Mr. F. J. Donovan, of St. Louis, counsel for Representative Frost, has filed a motion to suppress all the affidavits in until all of the diplomats had been presented, and support of the contest in the case of Sessinghans | then retired to the rear part of the parlor and enwho took the depositions admits to be true. In wife of Attorney General Brewster stood next; brief, the allegations are that since the testimony | she wore dark wine-colored velvet, with collar and was written it has been out of the custody of the ruffies to the elbow; sleeves of antique lace. Mrs. notary and not safely kept as the law demands; Lincoln, the wife of the Secretary of War, was that it has been in the possession of strangers not next; she wore black Spanish lace, open on the by them handled, written upon and altered; that | gold satin. The wife of Senator Logan was the assemble in general meeting at noon on | mony of a great many days, and the notary swears | That of Mrs. James was of a sea-shell tint of | sitions. The House committee on elections will point duchesse lace, exquisitely fine. The skirt

action will be taken upon Mr. Donovan's motion. Gov. Murray, of Utah territory, is expected to arrive here to-morrow in response to a request for his attendance in connection with the discussion | with plain satin, was trimmed with pearl passeof the Utah contested election case in the House

RESIGNATION .- Mr. John S. Lewis, who ran recently as Lieutenant Governor of Virginia on the readjuster ticket, has resigned the office of United States marshal, and his deputy, Mr. Ballard, is an applicant for that position. Mr. D. S. Lewis, a son of Mr. John S. Lewis, is an applicant for the posi-tion of United States district attorney, now held by Mr. Suter, whose term of office has expired.

THE OLDEST INHABITANTS' ASSOCIATION met at 11 o'clock to-day at their rooms in the Corcoran building, the president, Jenkin Thomas, in the chair, dress was also trimmed with point lace and pearl Appropri te reference was made to the deaths of Marshall Brown and Lambert Tree. Samuel Bacon was unanimously elected a vice president to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mr. Tree. Arrangements were made for the proper celebration of the 221 of February, and the so-ciety then proceeded to the White House to pay their respects to President Arthur. The following were among the members present: Jenkin Thomas, Eli Davis, N. Callen, Geo. Hill, jr., S. Masi, Lemuel Williams, R. J. Fenwick, Moses Parker, James Pilding, Geo. A. Bohrer, C. S. Noyes, Dr. Clark, I. N. Drew, Capt. Turby, John Petti-bone, James Hendley, Ephraim Wheeler, John Young, J. H. Williams, J. G. Bruff, A. T. Lazenby, F. Clark, W. H. Tenney, Joseph Libbey, Benedict Milburn, Thomas McDonald, Samuel Douglas, J.

only. About the only business done in the latter office was the issuance of a release from jail (based on an order of Judge Cox, of the Criminal toilet. Court), for Capt. H. W. Howgate, who is con fined charges of emb zzlement, on etc., of some \$160,000 from the government. Capt. H.W. Howgate was on this release allowed to spend the New Year with his friends outside and others, and the question was asked, why an | brocaded velvet. exception should be made in this case, when of

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE EXPLAINS HIS POSITION CONCERNING IMPROVEMENTS. A New York World special from this city reports Mr. H. S. Neal, of Ohio, chairman of the committee of the House on the District of Columbia, as saying:-" I see nothing in the composition of the committee to indicate that it has been formed with view of carrying out any previously selected line of policy. So far as I am advised, the principal measure to be considered is the enactment of a municipal code which will embody laws concerning taxation, police, building regulations and taches of this legation. such matters as concern cities of the size and importance of Washington. The laws at present are in an incongruous condition. They present a mixed up and tangled system unsuited to the age and to the important interests in-volved. They were collated by a sub-committee of the committee on the District of Columbia of the Forty-sixth Congress, and the bill which was reported passed the House of Representatives substantially without change. It failed to the Senate for want of time to give it consideration. I have studied and amended this bill, and hope to have it meet the approval of the District committee of the present House. The reclamation of the Potomae flats will be given due attention. A bili providing for such an improvement is now before 'my committee. This work successfully accomplished Washington will be one of the healthiest cities in the world, and for a winter residence there will be no more delightful place in the United States. The land reclaimed will, if Congress should choose to sell it, fully repay all the cost of the reclamation. My own view is that it should be added to the public parks of the city and thus greatly augment the beauty of Washington."

"Will there be any proposition considered looking to a change in the form of the District govern-"I think not. There seems to be no disposition on the part of the people of the city to demand a change. They do not want the right of suffrage because they are apprehensive that the District will be controlled by a class of men whose only interest will be to get as much money as possible out of them. There is a probability that the present Commissioners may be changed in part. I do not think myself that any change of the Commissioners is desirable. The District government wants simply enlightened business men to direct its affairs honestly and economically, and Prest-

dent Arthur should be very careful not to make any changes on mere political grounds. "I think the educational system of Washington a very superior one and school-buildings are being erected as rapidly as the resources of the District will justify. I feel confident that in two or three years at least the rate of taxation can be reduced to one percent if there is an honest assessment of the property of the District which may be made

liable to taxation." "Have you examined the claims of those who oppose the depots and railroad tracks remaining in their present limits?" "There ought to be a union depot provided. If the Pennsylvania railroad company is not willing to give up its present site, and Congress does not think it wise to compel it to do so, then I should

Thomas T. Henry, a colored resident of Philadelphia, was admitted to the bar Saturday. Henry was born in Richmond, Va. He was a letter-carrier in that city by appointment of Miss Van Lew.

The army and navy officers were received at 12 being the passenger in advance.

O'clock. Gen. Sherman headed the army officers, and Admiral Porter the navy officers. The officers who called were Gens. Dedge, Tidball, Morrow and Toutelette, of Gen. Sherman's staff; Adjutant Atlanta exposition of the color of the passenger in advance.

NEW YEAR, 1882.

row. introduce his successor, Hon. Benj. H. OFFICIAL RECEPTIONS TO-DAY. Brewster, to the U. S. Supreme Court. SCENES AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

> Rarely has so brilliant a New Year day been seen here. The weather was all that could be desired and the walking perfectly dry, which is seldom the case at this time of year, even when the sun shines as brightly as to-day. In consequence of these favorable conditions, an added interest was awakened about the reception of the

MEMBERS OF THE CABINET RECEIVING.

the reception to begin. The ladies were invited up stairs, and removed their wrappings. Promptly at | 11 the Marine band, which was stationed in the vestibule, played "Hail, to the Chief," and the Pres- | would have been more had it not been for the very dent entered the Blue parlor, accompanied by Mr. | cold weather. Sevellon Brown, chief clerk of the State department, and they took their places between the Red parlor door and the central divan, Mr. Brown standin on the left of the President and making the in. legation, will be in charge of the legation for the troductions. The ladies who were to assist in recelving took their places immediately after the President entered. The following stood in line with the President in the order named, and the others stood in the back of the room, entertaining the been the custom that after the reception at the visitors after they had passed the receiving party: The Secretary of State stood next to the President against Frost, from the third congressional dis-trict of Missouri. The grounds of the motion em-trict of Missouri and the grounds of the motion em-trict of Missouri and the grounds under the control of the officer; that it has been sides and front, showing a rich underskirt of old without the knowledge or consent of Mr. Frost or his counsel it was all taken from the notary by one profusion of white lace and handsome jewels.

General and Mrs. James received many callers in their pariors at the Arlington. Secretary Kirk-wood was not receiving. Owing to Secretary of the attorneys for Mr. Sessinghans, kept in his office, worked over by him, many names and places of residence of votors, changed, and parts of the office, worked over by him, mamy names and places of residence of voters changed and parts of the testimony erased. The affidavits further state that the attorney denied that he had any of the depositions except that of one day; but his letters are filed acknowledging the receipt of the testimony of the depositions except that of the testimony erased. The affidavits further state that they should return from New York and assist him to-day. Both costing the receipt of the testimony erased acknowledging the receipt of the testimony erased. The affidavits further state they should return from New York and assist him to-day. Both costing the receipt of the testimony erased. The affidavits further state they should return from New York and assist him to-day. Both costing the receipt of the testimony erased. The affidavits further state they should return from New York and assist him to-day. Both costing the receipt of the testimony erased. The affidavits further state they should return from New York and assist him to-day. Both costing the receipt of the testimony erased. The affidavits further state they should return from New York and assist him to-day. Both costing the receipt of the testimony erased. The affidavits further state the should return from New York and assist him to-day. Both costing the receipt of the testimony erased. The affidavits further state the should return from New York and assist him to-day. Both costing the receipt of the testimony erased. The affidavits further state the should return from New York and assist him to-day. Both costing the receipt of the testimony erased. The affidavits further state the should return from New York and assist him to-day. Both costing the receipt of the testimony erased. The affidavits further state the should return from New York and assist him to-day. Both costing the receipt of the testimony erased. The affidavits further state the should return from New York and assist him to-day. Both costing the receipt of the testimony erased. The affidavits further satin the same shade, over which feil very wide meet on Thursday, when it is expected definite had a long train, perfectly plain, or the rich material, and the waist was cut square in the neck and filled in with lace. The sleeves and trimming of the waist were point duchesse lace. Mrs. Pearson's toilet of rich white brocaded satin, combined menterie. The sleeves were of fine duchesse lace. and the waist, which was cut square in the neck, was trimmed with the same lace. The skirt was

very long and graceful, and cut out at the bottom in vandyke; across the front it was finished with The wife of Senator Miller, of California, was the next lady: she wore superb moire antique, made with a Watteau pleat, trimmed with point lace and pearl passamenterie; she wore rich jewels. The daughter of the Secretary of the Navy stood at the end of the line. She wore black Spanish lace over colored silk. Mrs. Don Cameron wore white silk with front breadth, trimmed with gold brecade satin. The fringe; ornaments diamonds. Mrs. Pendleton, over white silk, wore white

Mrs. Blaine were an elegant reception dress of Monday and Tuesday with low but slowly rising pure velvet and satin with a few choice diamond ornaments. Mrs. Rebeson were heliotrope and white brocade combined with the plain heliotrope silk. Miss Lucy Freiinghuysen and her sister, Mrs. John Davis, were very elegant full dress toffettes. The diplomatic corps arrived punctually, and at the proper time entered the Blue Parlor from the Red Room, Mr. Allan, the Hawalian minister, now the dean of the corps, coming first with his young daughter, who wore black velvet, as she is still in mourning for her mother.

The following countries were also represented: d'affaires. Hayti, by its minister, Mr. Preston, and his wife | property clerk, who usually attends to this duty. and daughter, who wore handsome black cos-Turkey, by the minister, Aristarchi Bey, and Rustem Effendi. Japan, by the charge Caffaires, Mr. Takahira Kogero, and others of the legation.

Lewenhaupt, and his wife, who wore a charming | ave. s.e.; \$350. France, by the minister, M. Outrey, and his wife combined, trimmed with white lace. Mexico, by the minister Señor and Mme. Zama-Pertugal, by the minister, Viscount das No-Russia-its minister having gone-Mr. de Meiss-Belivia, by the minister Senor Dr. Ladislas

Chili, by the minister, Senor Don Martinez, and his daughter, (his wife being in mou rning did not come), Mr. Pinto and other gentlemen of the lega-Spain, by her minister Señor Barca, his handsome wife and daughter, who were richly dressed, and nearly all of the many secretaries and at-Beigium, by the minister Mr. de Bounder and Baron Albert d'Anethan. Great Britain, by the Hon. L. S. Sackville West and his daughter, Mr. Drummond, Captain and Mrs. William Arthur, and Messrs. Howard, Adam and Cadegan and Lord George Montagu. Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Adam, both being in mourning, did not attend. Miss West wore a simple but handsome suit of invisible green. China, by the new minister and most of his suite, and Mr. Bartlett. (No ladies were with this |

legation, which entered list of all, as its minister is the latest accession to the diplomatic corps.) Peru, by the minister, Señor Elmore. Venezuela, the charge d'affaires, Señor Don Camacho. Austria, by the chargé d'affaires, Count Lippe Weisenfeld. Denmark, by the charge d'affaires and consul general, Mr. de Bille and his wife, the latter wearing a ruby-colored velvet, richly trimmed. Brazil, by the charge d'affaires Senor Valente and the secretary of legation. The President wore a full suit of black, with

lilac necktie. It was a morning dress, with frock coat. His little daughter was present, and very simply dressed. She was under the charge of Mrs. All the members of the diplomatic corps, whose uniform on state occasion is prescribed by their respective governments, wore full court dress, while those having no uniforms wore dress suits. The ladies present, except those specially asked to receive with the President, all wore their hats or bonnets. The number of ladies present was unusually large, nearly all the officials having

the corridor, but the curtains were so arranged as to make a semi-twilight as the sun shone through them. The arrangements for the reception were practically the same as heretofore, and the program as published was strictly carried out, and few, if any, officials in the city falled to attend at the time set for them. The long corridor, which is vastly improved by the new paper and the red paint striped with gold, was lined with plants and terms. Tropical plants were also dispersed through the parlors, and in the Blue room were arranged in front of the windows and on the pier tables. All

one or more members of their families with them.

The gas was not lighted in any of the parlors, or

the chandeliers and mirrors were festooned with From the New York Herald, 1st. smilax. The members of the Cabinet called at 11 o'clock. There were present: Secretaries Hunt, Folger, Frelinghuysen, Postmaster General James and Attorney General Brewster.

General Drum, Gens. Sackett, Melgs, Macfeely, Barnes, Brown, Wright, Hazen, Swatm and Benet, and Cols. Corbin, Chandler, Gilman, Billings, Woodward, McClure, Rockwell and others. he several bureaus, Chief Clerk Hogg, Prof. New-

comb, Rear Admiral Rodgers, Col. McCauley, Capt.

Collum, Capt. De Krafft, Commodore Patterson and others. At 12:40 o'clock the heads of the bureaus of the departments were received. From the Treasury here called Assistant Secretary French, Con-Perriss, Keightly, Beardsly, Ela and Alexander; J. S. Treasurer Gilfillan, Director of the Mint Burchard, Architect Hill, Gen. Dumont, Mr. Nimmo, Commissioners Raum and Johnston, John Jay Knox and others. From the State departmen there called Assistant Secretary Hunter and Chief Clerk Brown. From the Post Office, Gens. Hazen and Ekner, Solicitor Freeman, Dr. McDonald and others. From the Department of Justice, Solicitor General Phillips and Assistant Atterneys General

The arrivals of the Cabinet members and their At 12:45 the Oldest Inhabitants' association, families, and of the other ladies asked to assist the President, began before 11, the hour appointed for five or more, called, accompanied by the little band of "Associated Surviving Soldiers of the War of 1812." The general reception to citizens was at one o'clock. A great number called, and there willing to see all that come."

> Among the general callers was a large delegation of the Grand Army of the Republic, with blue fatigue caps, numbering one hundred or more. Receptions by Members of the Cabinet. This new year in Washington is different from its predecessors, in that so few of the members of the Cabinet keep open house. It has, for years, White House is over members of the Cabinet, with the ladies of their families and other ladies inof the day. The Attorney General has not yet get out. I suppose Corkhill saw him." entered upon his office. He could not, therefore, receive as a member of the Cabinet. The new Secretary of the Department of State, Freinghuysen, received from one to three this afternoon, at his residence, 1731 I street. After the hours is no rope at all." Guiteau chatat the White House were over the Postmaster ted on quite sociably and volubly regarding

Special Weather Bulletin. A WARMER FAIR DAY TO-MORROW. OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER, ) WASHINGTON, D.C. January 2, 1882, 9:30 a.m. ( following special bulletin to the press: The storm | pair last spring, but I did not like them." wheel was central near Wilmington, N. C., yesterday morning moved rapidly to the northeast with increasing force, and is now central near Eastport. lantic coests where the winds have shifted to northwesterly with clearing colder weather. The temperature is below freezing as far south as Pensacole and Savannah. It is frem 10 degrees to 20 degrees below the mean for the month in all districts cast of the Mississippi, and from 10 degrees to 20 degrees above the mean on the Pacific coast were reported yesterday in Tennessee, North Carolina, and thence northward over the lake region and New England followed by clearing weather. Fair weather has prevailed in the Mississippi valley and gulf states, and rain is reported on the Pacific coast as far south as San Francisco with a storm center north of Olympia. The indications are that fair weather will continue in southern and southern portion of the middle states during temperature.

District Government Affairs.

The District offices on 4% street were closed today, except the burial permit office, at the health department. Great dissitisfaction was expressed by the Metropolitan police Saturday in not getting their pay for the month of Pecember. The aremen and other District employes all received their pay, but for some reason one of the duplicate pay-rolls was not signed by the District auditor and the Commissioners, and although the checks were all Germany, by Count von Beust, the charge drawn and properly signed by Commissioner Bent, no money could be paid by Mr. Dunnivan, the

BUILDING PERMITS issued by Inspector Entwisie: Mary Temple, Julia Danna, T. G. Burlington, Edzabeth Wilson, Mary Wilcox, Wm. G. Burlington and Mary M. Carter, erect 8 dwellings-one each-on square 913, between F and G and 8th and 9th streets northeast; Sweden and Norway, by the minister, Count 88,900. G. J. Bond, make back building, 613 Pa.

A DOUBLE FUNERAL took place Saturday from and several gentlemen of the legation. Mine. No. 1118 11th street northwest, the family residence Outrey were heliotrope brocade and black velvet of the lite Ferdinand Jefferson, who died some two | Guiteau's Sleep Disturbed by another Muror three years since. Mrs. Margaret Jefferson, the widow of Mr. Jefferson, aged 71 years, having died the jail. This action was the subject of much un- cona and daughters and the secretaries and at- on the 28th uit. of congestion of the lungs, on favorable comment among members of the bar taches of the legation. Mme. Zamacona wore rich the following day, when the family was called on

> ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS.—The following organizations have recently elected the officers mentioned: Central Ledge, No. 1, LO.O.F.: D. Eichelberger, N. 3.; Thomas S. Hersey, V.G.; H. Fischer, F.S.; E. F. O'Brien, P.S.; C. P. Wannell, T. Potomac Fruit Growers' Improvement Company, organized for enlarging and beautifying Glymont as a pleasure resort:)-President Dr. S. A. H. Mc-Kim; vice president, J. M. Andru secretary, Dr. E. P. Howland; treasurer, J. Orvine Johnson; superintendent of property, I. R. Trembly.
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> Friendship Lodge, No. 7, LO.M.:—S.M., J. M.
> Richards; W.M., R. W. Porter; J.M., George S.
> Johnson; R.S., J. G. Boss; F.S., H.B. Gregg; treasurer, C. A. Knockey; chaplain, T. K. Heath; con.,

A. S. Clark. Excelsior Lodge, No. 17, I. O.O.F.:—W. A. H. Church, N.G.; Thomas P. Stephenson, V.G.; S. George Bouis, F.S.; Enoch Edmonston, treasurer; James B. Royce, R.S. Galliard Lodge of Perfection:—S. Roger Watts, M.D., T.P.G.M.; John R. Davis, M.E.S.G.W.; Nathaniel E. King, M.D., M.E.J.G.W.; James Dean, E.G. orator; Charles R. Beckley, E.G. almoner; Simon Archer, E.G. treasurer; Howard L.Johnson, E.G. secretary; Addison Clayton, trustee. Spartan Council, No. 5, Sons of Jonadab:-V. E.

A VERDICT AGAINST A TELEGRAPH COMPANY .this city to his wife. Somewhere between Waverly and Columbus the telegram was changed | trial?" about 9 o'clock. The message was in these words: "Sent twenty-five. Send letters to Chillicothe: am well." As the message arrived half-rate, Mrs H. did not hurry herself to mail the letters requested; consequent they did not get off until the night of the sixth. Hayes arrived in Chillicothe, and not finding the letters, was alarmed and returned to this city. He found his message a half-rate instead of a full-rate, and resolved to sue the company. Suit was instituted before A. C. Richards, J. P., for \$49 damages; Guy H. Thompson for plaintiff, and Nathaniel Wilson for defendant.

Immigration for the Year 1881. HALF A MILLION NEW INHABITANTS PROM ABROAD.

Four European steamers landed steerage immiwere the Republic, from Liverpool, with 56 on board; the Cimbria, from Hamburg, with 758; the grant passengers at CastleGarden yesterday. They to give up its present site, and Congress does not think it wise to compel it to do so, then I should favor the establishment of other depot buildings upon the public grounds in the immediate neighborhood. I regard it as very unfortunate for the future of Washington that the Pennsylvania Central should have ever been permitted to cross the Hall. It has done a good deal towards destroying the symmetry of their beautitul park, and I therefore favor the purchase of the depot building at a lair consideration and using it for District purposes, and having the railroad company but a deep that some other point, where it will be as acceptable to the public and liable to do less injury to the public grounds. The codification of the Criminal laws and mode of procedure in the District must also be considered. The infletment in Guiteau's case is about two hundred years behinds medern ideas, and demonstrates as spearly as can be how little attention has been given here. The court of claims, who have a code of civil procedure, such as we have in New York, Ohlo and other states; but it involves much labor and will trke up so much of the time of Congress in its consideration as we have in New York, Ohlo and other states; but it involves much labor and will trke up so much of the time of Congress in its consideration as we have in New York, Ohlo and other states; but it involves much labor and will trke up so much of the time of Congress in its consideration as we have in New York, Ohlo and other states; but it involves much labor and will trke up so much of the time of Congress in its consideration as we have in New York, Ohlo and other states; but it involves much labor and will trke up so much of the time of Congress in its consideration as we have in New York, Ohlo and other states; but it involves much labor and will trke up so much of the time of Congress in its consideration in the did worth described by Congress in the court of claims, was admitted to the bar Saturday, Herring and the court of claims, the Judges of the

TWO CENTS.

GUITEAU'S NEW YEAR. Sunday at the Jail.

The navy was represented by all the heads of THE PRISONER RECEIVING VISITORS IN HIS CELL-WOULD NOT SHAKE HANDS WITH HIM. Though the usual rule at the jair is not to admit

ting in yesterday. When a STAR reporter called, trollers Lawrence, Upton, and Auditors Reynolds, Guiteau was taking his ease in the double cell at | shall surrender all the political power and patronthe end of the corridor, where he spends his daylight hours. He was unusually neat in his personal appearance, having been newly shaved and arrayed in clean linen throughout. The cell is ors, a plain little table and a chair. On the ledge bloom. The table was littered with newspapers, Smith, Simons, McCammen and Raynor. Dr. writing materials, and two or three books, includnew President at the White House, it being his Loring represented the Department of Agriculing the Bible. Under the table was a market bas. Inches bidder. The regular democrats will ket which had contained the prisoner's New Year At 12:45 the Oldest Inhabitants' association, dinner. "I have received about two hundred marshaled by Mr. S. Masi, numbering twenty-callers to-day," he said. The reporter inquired if he did not get tired of receiving people. "Oh, no," he replied; "I am in good health and spirits-I feel as well as I ever did in my life-and I am able and

HIS OPINION AS TO THE RESULT OF THE TRIAL. He remarked that the trial would soon be over. "You feel pretty confident of the result of the trial, don't you ?" asked the reporter.

"I feel confident that the jury will acquit me, "Tais expert testimony has been strong against you," suggested the visitor.

"Weil, that's paid for. The jury understands | publican member in the 8th district, and as the that. These experts are paid just as Corkhill and other lawyers are paid. They give so much opinion for so much money. I suppose Dr. Gray gave about a thousand dollars worth yesterday. "That is the work of some crank editor," he said referring to the headline, "The End of the rope," over an article referring to his case. "These state prison keeper, attorney general three instices

HIS PERSONAL AFFAIRS. "There's a young fellow here who used to be a about four hundred for me. These glasses draw to go into joint session unless they get a division my eyes," he chatted on, taking his far-famed eye- of the offices. This action would prevent an elecglasses from his pocket and swinging them on his tion by the present legislature. forefinger. "I don't like them much. My eyes are weak, and that's what gives the expression to them that people talk about. One of them is con-The chief signal officer of the army furnishes the tracted. I never used glasses before. I bought a

While the reporter was there several parties of Severe gales continue on the middle and east At- women, numbering in all about fifteen, were shown to the cell by the guards. With one or two exceptions they contented themselves with just stepping on the threshold and looking in at the door. It was only after much giggling and showing that they ventured this much. Guiteau had a pleasant word of greeting for all, but seldom received any reply. Once when a little group had bruised or burned. The building took fire, almost collected about the door he arese, and advancing with the politeness of a French dancing master ment. The lights were nearly all extinguished, extended his hand. The ladies planted their fists more tightly in their muffs and did not accept the proffered hand. "Wont you shake hands with me?" Guiteau said with an air of surprise. At this | caped uninjured and other citizens summoned by one of the party dropped her hand limply in his the terrible alarm, the fire was subdued, but not and quickly withdrew it. Subsequently two ladies frem Chicago entered the cell and made no scruples burned. The list of killed and wounded will number to the cell and made no scruples burned.

about greeting the prisoner most cordially. The Prisoner's Numerous Callers To-

day. The general invitation given by Guiteau to the public to call upon him on New Year day seems to | Special dispatch to The Evening Star. room was filled with people patiently waiting | the general assembly of 1882 in this city next week. to be conducted to the ceil. In accordance with Guiteau's own request ate and 46 in the House, and therefore control are republicant to the House, and therefore control are republicant. only those whom the jail officials knew were taken to the cell. During the day several hundred people called, and between 100 and 200 perhaps saw Guiteau. Four-fifths of the visitors were ladies. He greeted all very cordially, presented almost every visitor with his autograph. To the STAR reporter he remarked in reference to the recent publications concerning the question of jurisdiction, that if necessary that question would be raised in arrest of judgment, as suggested by Mr. Merrick. The Lord, he remarked, had a special object of letting the President down so easy from Long Branch, instead of from Washington," Some visitor remarking that the court might move the dock to the basement, he said: "I don't care where they put me. I have a good voice."

Guiteau said to all his visitors that he felt very well. He complained of having lost sleep last by some of the clergy, they visited Mrs. Mary Scan- might owing to the clamor raised by exception should be made in this case, when of the 190 prisoners in 1911, probably 30 are there for gueiras and his wife and daughter, both of whom simple offeners.

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tails of Anderson's crime. STRICTER RULES FOR THE PRISONER. A new arrangement has been made by which Guiteau has to subsist on the ordinary jail fare. Heretofore when meals have been sent into the prisoner from the outside, it was a strict rule | before that time comes. The letter is written in a among the jail officers not to teuch them in any plain, legible hand, and the murderer, after signway. Had anything happened to the prisoner, ing his name, drew near by a pl then the jall officials could not have been held to with a man dangling by a rope. account for it. Mr. Scoville has now thrown the responsibility of the food and of the visitors | Charged with Poisoning Her Husband. upon the warden of the jail. He no longer issues passes or requests to the officers to admit parties to the jail. Guiteau is not to receive his letters anymers and is not to be supplied with news-

A cigar box containing a hempen noose, neatly coiled, has been received at the jail. In the box was a card inscribed with the words: "Merry Christmas. H. T. Bainbrick, Brocton Chaut. Co., New York. Excuse haste."

What John Guiteau Says. "We have about 300 letters more waiting for the prisoner," remarked John Guiteau to a STAR re- chosen by the city council. The King, W.C.; L.H. Julien, V.C.; A.F. Brooks, patri-arch; W. E. Post, R.S.; S. H. Jecko, F.S.; John Humphrey, treasurer; N. Riley, guide; C. H. Mc-It would not be proper, of course, to send them to Humphrey, treasurer; N. Riley, guide; C. H. Mc-Ewen, assistant guide; Joseph Williamson, I. W.: Wm. Lewis, O.W.; Prof. C. H. Moulton, organist. Wm. Lewis, O.W.; Prof. C. H. Moulton, organist. sort is not right in principle. A prisoner so situ-On the 5th of December, 1881, Edward Hayes ated might get up a conspiracy. Of course there is sent a full-rate telegram from Waverly, Ohio, to nothing of that kind to be feared in this case." "What is your opinion as to the result of the

from a full-rate to half-rate. It arrived here in the night, but under the rules of half-rate messages, it was not delivered until the next day of this expert testimony has been very strong against him. These gentlemen have the theory that there cannot be insanity without disease. We knew as soon as they came here and began to ask whether he had been sick or not, what their testimony would be. These gentlemen are honest in their theory, but their theory is wrong. They are partisan defenders of a new theory. When sharp lawyers began to gain acquittals on the ground of emotional insanity and monomania, the experts got together and decided that the brain must be round to be diseased in order to establish insanity. It is a theory that would hang any man. The truth is, my brother is an idiot."

"Yes an idiot," continued Mr. Guiteau in response to an exclamation of surprise, "there are different kinds of kilots. He was born without ordinary common sense." "He ought to be thinking about other things," said Mr. Guiteau, speaking of the letters received for the prisoner. "He ought to be thinking about his latter end."

He hesitated a moment, and then overcame his momentary scruple said: "I think the prosecution will do anything to justify their course, and there will be no post-mortem examination made."

Mr. Guiteau further expressed the opinion that the jury would not be out more than two hours before returning a verdict of conviction. "The truth is," he said, "the pressure of public opinion is too great. It is bulldozing the judge and the jury and everybody else. I will say for Judge Cox, however, that he has shown remarkable discretion, kindness, and firmness during the whole trial." trial."

aliens who came to America to make their homes, and landing at this port alone, 456,000. When the yearly returns are received from Philadelphia, Boston, Baltimore, New Orleans and other American ports there is no doubt that the total immigration for 1881 will be found to be over 500,000 souls, 170,000 more than in 1880, which was 100,000 larger than any previous year's showing. But even this unprecedented record for 1881 will be exceeded by the ensuing year, unless all signs fail. Advices from many count in the Old World, Germany especially, are to the effect that there were never before so many prepaid tickets, as they are called, being the passenger tickets which are purchased in advance.

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FRIGHTFUL CATASTROPHE IN ONIO. The Situation at Albany.

ALBANY, N. Y., January 2.-It is now a pretty weil settled fact that the legislature will not be organized to-merrow. Negotiations between the regular democrats and the Tammany clique have, so far, tailed, and there is really no prospect of their renewal in time to no omplish anything by noon of to-merrow. The indications are that the people of this state will be shamed and disguited by another legislative dead-lock growing out of the selfish schemes of politicians. The demands A CHAT ABOUT HIMSELF-LADY CALLERS WHO of the Tammany crowd were of such a character as to elicit prompt recusal from the regular democrats. These dear nds were made by Kelly and his lieutenants in a diet doriel and offen ive manvisitors on Sunday, many people succeeded in get- tors and five assemblymen, demands that the ner. In fact, Tammany, controlling these senaother 14 democratic senators and 58 assemblymen age of the legislature into John Keliy's hands. Tammany insists upon naming certain officers, upon ostracising certain prominent demo-rats and upon generally dictating the party policy, else p will refuse to go into the caucus. The country democrats are determined not to make any concessions to Tammany. The regular demo rats are charging that there is a secret understanding or of the grated window were two pots of flowers in | bargain between John Kelly and the republicans through which the latter are to get the organiza-

Telegrams to The Star.

POLITICAL SITUATION AT ALBANY.

THE NEW JERSEY LEGISLATURE DIVIDED.

SKIRMISHING REPORE THE BATTLE NO ORGANIZA-

Special Dispatch to THE EVENING STAR.

New Jersey Legislature. A DEADLOCK PROPABLE.

Jacobs nor allow his henchmen to do so.

to the highest bidder. The regular democrats will

meet in caucus this evening. Senator Jacobs will

be nominated for president of the senate, in spite

of John Kelly's threat that he will never support

Special Dispatch to THE EVENING STAR. TRENTON, N. J., January 2 .- The 106th session of the state legislature will meet in this city to-morrow afternoon. The state senate stands: Republicans, 13; democrats, 8. The house stands: Republicans, 28; democrats, 30; anti-monopoil t, 1; vacancy, 1. A special election has been ordered to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the revote of that district may determine the political complexion of the house both parties are using every means to carry it. The chances are that the democrats will organize the house. For the official and cierical positions under the senate and house the candidates are numerous. The governor will, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, name the following officers: A sceretery of state, clerk of the supreme court, of the supreme court, a lay judge of the court of errors and appeals, district attornies for five counties, law judges, judges for several counties, judges of the courts of common pleas in all except four counties, two singing fund commissioners and various other minor offices. As the governor is a

ING-SEVERAL KILLED AND A LARGE NUMBER

FATALLY INJURED. Special Dispatch to THE EVENING STAR. CINCINNATI, OHIO, January 2. - During the Knights of Pythias' festival, at Shanesville, Tuscarawas county, Saturday night, the floor gave instantly producing a scene of the wildest exciteleaving the shricking, struggling mass of humanity to grope their way from the ruins aimost in the dark. By the prompt action of those who es-

ber nearly one hundred. The night was very cold and the scene is described as frightful in the ex-

The Connecticut Legislature. have been very generally accepted. The bell at | Hartford, Conn., January 2.—There is nothing the jail door was clanging all day, and the ante- of special interest connected with the meeting of

everything. There is no legislation of any general interest yet projected. County Officers in Maine. CONCESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL TO GOVERNOR

Special Dispatch to THE EVENING STAR. Augusta, Mr., January 2.—The executive council previous to adjournment last Saturday, disposed of a large number of nominations for county officers recently made by Governor Pinisted. The council, as a rule, confirmed the nominations of fusionists for counties in which the fusionists are in control, and rejected fusionists nominated to succeed republicans in republican counties. This was a concession, which promises a basis of agreement between the governor and the executive council

that will dispose of all the county officers.

A Condemned Murderer's Letter. Special Dispatch to THE EVENING STAB. New York, January 2.- The condemned murderer, Sindram, has written a characteristic letter to John Deane, a life convict in Sing Sing, with occurred in the midst of the festivities of the sea- much interest in the case, and learned all the de- who is not afraid to die. He declares that to be haprisoned for life would only prolong his fear of death. He quotes Shakespeare freely, and speaks of the many murderers who cheat the gallows by pleading to low degrees of murder or manslaughter. he refers jocularly to the time when he is to be "swung off," and asks his friend to write to him

ing his name, drew near by a picture of a gallows Special Dispatch to THE EVENING STAR. New York, January 2. - Mrs. Benedict Schlesen beck was taken to Morristown, N.J., yesterday from Dover, charged with administering a fatal dose of strychnine to her husband on Friday. A hasty analysis of the dead man's stomach revealed

the presence of the poison, which, it is said, his wife recently purchased in a drug store in Dover. Alexandria Affairs.

Reported for THE EVENING STAR. CHANGES .- The change in the polital control of the state will affect few local officials here, most of the officers being either elected by the voters of Year's day was but slightly observed in Alexandria. Few houses observed the Washington and New York reception customs, and business, except at the U. S. offices, went on as usual....Mayor Beckham on New Year's eve presented each member of the police force with a fine, large ham. The police have always favored mayors with "ham" in their names, and at last election those who did not advocate Beckham supported Downham... Judge Hughes, who opens the U.S. court here to-mor-row, has fixed the 4th instant for the hearing upon the preliminary motion for injunction in the case of the United States agt, the Corporation of Alex-andria, relative to the canal stock....Mr. Reed's bark, with cooperage for Cuba, is nearly loaded. .... The streams near town to-day were covered with ice, and even the Potomac showed a fringe of ice along the shore....The next meeting of the city council it will be asked to call the question of the partition of the old court house and lot to the attention of the legislature of Virginia .... The authorities here are considering a plan to make the tramps who seek the station-house here work for their lodging....The corpora on court opens to-niorrow....The public schools close their Christmas holidays with to-day.... There is good skating on Hunting creek near the bridge, on the High School pond and the other points near town, and the sport finds many to enjoy it.

Fitz John Porter. GRANT SAID TO HAVE APPEALED FOR HIS PROMPT RESTORATION TO THE ARMY.

The Philadelphia Times has the following dis-patch from New York:—" It is now known in the circles which are in close intimacy with Gen. Grant that he has recently reached the conclusion that Gen. Fitz John Porter is a greatly injured man, and that his conviction and dismissal from the army was an act of flagrant injustice. Gen. the army was an act of flagrant injustice. Gen. Grant certainly has expressed these views freely to his intimate friends lately, without any attempt at concealment, and it is surmised that he has addressed, or soon will address, an earnest appeal to President Arthur for the prompt restoration of Gen. Porter to his proper rank in the army. It is stated that Gen. Grant has lately so for responded to Gen. Porter's propert, as in make far responded to Gen. Porter's request as to make a complete examination of the testimony and record of the late Porter court of inquiry, and that he has been convinced, in spite of his long-cherished adverse conviction, that Gea. Porter was really guiltless and blameless as a soldier ! Pope's campaign, and that the country owes to Gen. Porter his prempt restoration to the army. These who speak of Gen. Grant's views and pur-pose on the subject say that he will manfully con-less life error in Porter's case, and appeal to Presi-

It is rumored the ta plot to poison the King of Portugal has some to light.

dent Arthur to correct his (Grant,s) unlater injustice to that officer."

VAD CHAVEL POOFING.

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